

YOU'RE GUILTY

With Ferrin Cox

We made it back from the convention and now are wondering if it was worth it all. The hardest thing to do is get back to work. This was suppose to be a business convention, but any break in the routine is a vacation, even though not in the purest sense. We were honored Friday night at "the banquet" with a first place plaque for best feature of the year, and of course, are flattered. However, nice as it is, the honor will not pay the grocery bill and Monday we again begin the continuing battle of keeping the wolf away from the door.

Each week I become more and more relaxed when thinking about our Alabama Senate. Apparently there is no need for us to worry about them passing any bad bills, because when they get one of me, they jump right into another. The net results is very few bills are getting passed in AL this year, and that ain't all that bad!

The Elba City School Board and the Elba City Council united their efforts this week and began moving forward on improving visitor's bleachers at the football stadium. For years we have all heard bad remarks about the lack of facilities for visitors. Much too often, the opinion someone had of our town was formed in the football stadium when there was not enough seats, while local fans enjoyed fine wooden bleachers. Well, it was agreed at the time local citizens coming up the money for the bleachers, that maybe later the school board could come up with funds for the other side, but in the years that have passed, it began to look doubtful. I am happy to see this action and hope the efforts are successful.

At the press convention last weekend we ran up on Mrs. Ruby Folsom Austin. After a round of hellos and how is and so, we each went our separate ways, talking with old friends.

Friday afternoon saw us leaving the parking lot and flagged us down for a lengthy discussion and some Pea River huck begging. With her was her consultant for the new weekly column (starting this week in the Elba Clipper). He didn't miss a chance to plug the column and, in fact, spent the entire three days steering conversations to that matter. Well, Miss Ruby said to tell all her friends hello and not to tell the others anything.

Here we were worrying about the results of selling another whole bunch of grain to Russia and lo and behold, the coffee crop gets into trouble in South America. Down there where it is called "The Tropics", there has a freeze and it killed two-thirds of next year's coffee beans. Already there are rumblings of price increases in coffee and it isn't a penny or so either (nor will it wait until next year!!) US consumers will undoubtedly make it worse when we all rush out and stock up on coffee to beat the high prices and/or shortages.

Letters To
The Editor

During a recent seven day period, representatives of this newspaper observed from near or from a distance as the Elba police made sixteen drug arrests in three different situations. Each case had its own circumstances but in every case marijuana was involved and each time police were operating with solid prior knowledge as supported by the physical evidence the officers assembled.

Also, representatives of this newspaper have heard directly and indirectly, that a large number of those caught up in the police actions were guilty only of association. Other reports are that each and every one was guilty as charged. We have no way of proving either of the extremes, nor would it boost our ego to make any wild accusations.

The message in this to young and old alike is that there are no shades of guilt in such situations—it is either black or white and nothing else. As anyone who has shot blackbirds in a cornfield will verify, few blackbirds are truly black, yet we see them flying in a flock and class them all as blackbirds because all we see is black. Call it human failings or what you like but it is a fact of life.

We fully understand the peer pressure on teenagers, having trod the path ourselves in years too long past. However, we speak from experience when we say even peer pressure respects those who stand up for personal convictions. Also, you will often be surprised to see your action spur others with the same misgivings sigh with relief as they join you in saying no. Even today, we are on occasion taken a little by surprise to witness this chain reaction.

We do not suggest everyone to associate or disassociate themselves with a person because of big talk, fancy car, rich or poor, or any of other generally thought of reasons used by a "social climber". We do, however, strongly urge our teenage friends to know your associates and the things they are likely to get involved in and just steer clear of those with activities that will get you calling your parents from the police station to come sign your release bond.

SPEAKING
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In relation to the City Council's stand on parking fees, I would like to say that better serves the people of our community; one that tries to turn our town into a money making enterprise; one that will continue to accept subdivisions without any restrictions, one that tries to place an unneeded project in your back yard; one that will not try to seek more state aid and assistance than we have ever received before; one that will only give up on the development of new projects and state and federal grants. We are the best kind of one man band and one that will place his personal interest above each and every other person in town. There is more, as you well know, but I will stop with this final remark.

I live in this community by choice, not by chance and I love every person in it even though I am not from here, my dear friend, Ferrin Cox.

Sincerely,
Charles Ellis

MR. ELLIS

As I have told you, our purpose is to print letters when there is a friend or foe - preserving editing rights when they go to press. Also, you may not agree with your prediction of the limited life of this policy; but I feel that it is a good idea to have a useful purpose, and I don't mean selling newspapers.

I respect your decision not to return and understand the reasoning, but challenge your charge that I am personally antagonistic to your cause. Your caliber will continue for many years to come. I am a vindictive person hide behind a veil of secrecy. As I told you, I never owned a gun, but I did once own a knife. I would have been a criminal if I had not been a member of the community as long as the privilege is not abused.

Charles, as I said to you, I am not a cancer attack. You met a charge and answered it with an attack.

Ferrin Cox

I am writing this letter in response to an earlier letter to the editor criticizing the City of Elba Recreation Department by the preacher of the church.

I feel that by printing this letter from anonymous, you are not giving me my integrity and deserve the example of this community to follow.

If this letter let me help you select a councilman in the next election that will vote for a tax, that will make any person who put-

want to help maintain it in any way.

The success of any program depends on the people involved.

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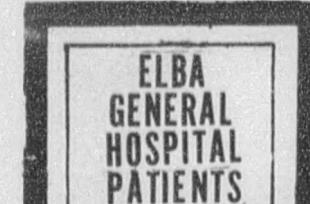
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LEGAL NOTICES BECAUSE THE PEOPLE MUST KNOW™

Notice of Sale Under Power

IN THE MATTER OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF MARVIN F. CLARK, DECEASED IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA, the undersigned, United States Department of Agriculture, recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate of the State of Alabama, on May 5, 1972 in Mgt. Book 54-A, pages 420-423; and

The entire indebtedness secured by said Power of Attorney having been declared due and payable as of the date of death of the testator, the undersigned, the United States of America, acting through its authorized representative, under the circumstances and with the power of law in said Real Estate Mortgage, will proceed to sell or cause to be sold, for cash, to the highest bidder in front of the Court-house of said County during the hours of sale, on the 14th day of August, 1975, the following described property, devised by said Real Estate Mortgage:

Mr. James E. Sawyer, Jr., 100 W. Main Street, Elba, Alabama, 36330, and your heirs are required to file claim, if any you have within the time required, that the same shall be barred.

Done this 17 day of July, 1975.

John Wicker
Maggie Dean Boyd
7-24-3TC

THE STATE OF ALABAMA, COFFEE COUNTY, ELBA, DIVISION IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN EQUITY

Sharon Wallace Zimmerman, Complainant, VS. Richard Zimmerman, Defendant

TO: Richard Zimmerman
Notice is hereby given that Complainant filed a complaint against him in the Circuit Court of Coffee County, on the 14th day of August, 1975, the following described property, devised by said Real Estate Mortgage:

Lot Nos. 10, 20, 21, and 22, of Block 6, Mulberry Heights, Elba, Alabama, according to the Plat of said Block 6, Mulberry Heights, Elba, Alabama, as recorded in Mgt. Book 13, page 55, in the Probate Office, Coffee County, Elba, Alabama, and other improvements thereon.

The proceeds of said sale will be applied to the payment of all taxes, interest, other charges, and the expenses of sale, as provided in said Real Estate Mortgage to the United States of America.

This 16th day of July, 1975.

7-21-75

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Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate, are hereby required to appear and answer the same by the 10th day of August, 1975, in the time allowed by law, or the same will be barred.

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LEGAL NOTICES

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

Relating to Coffee County placing the probate judge, tax collector, the tax collector and the circuit clerk on a salary basis of compensation.

BILL ENTITLED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. The following county officers of Coffee County shall hereby receive the following annual salaries:

Probate Judge - \$25,000.00 per year.

Tax Assessor - \$18,000.00 per year.

Tax Collector - \$18,000.00 per year.

Circuit Clerk - \$18,000.00 per year.

The salaries hereinabove provided shall be payable in equal monthly installments from the general fund of Coffee County and shall be paid in lieu of all expenses, expense allowances, or other compensation heretofore provided for such officers.

Section 2. The said provisions heretofore made shall become effective upon the first day of the month next following the adoption of a constitutional amendment authorizing the proposed legislation hereinabove provided.

Section 3. All laws or parts of laws which conflict with this act are repealed.

Section 4. This bill shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Governor, or upon its otherwise becoming a law.

SECTION OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF COFFEE

NOTICE is hereby given that a bill substantially as follows will be introduced in the Legislature of Alabama and application for its passage and enactment will be made, to-wit:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

Relating to Coffee County; further regulating the employment and compensation of certain personnel employed in the offices of the probate judge, tax collector, tax collector and circuit clerk, and providing for the compensation of such employees from the general funds of the county.

BILL ENTITLED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Except as provided in Section 2, the county body of Coffee County is authorized and empowered to set the compensation of the clerks, typists, bookkeepers or other personnel employed in the offices of the probate judge, tax collector, tax collector and circuit clerk of said county. Provided, however, that the compensation shall not be less than the total compensation and allowances provided for like positions on December 31, 1974.

Section 2. Salaries of employees who have over twelve months service shall be used in determining base salary for like positions. Employees with over twenty years service shall receive more than the total compensation an allowance provided for same position on December 31, 1974.

Section 3. The compensation of all employees provided for in Section 1 shall be paid from the general funds of the county.

Section 4. The salaries hereinabove provided shall be effective upon the first day of the month next following the adoption of a constitutional amendment authorizing placement of the above mentioned officials on a salary basis.

Section 5. Each of the clerks designated hereinabove shall not employ more persons than those were employed by them on December 31, 1974, to include two chief clerks, one

Session (Acts of 1973, p. 147), is hereby amended as follows:

"Section 2. The Coffee County Commission may any successor county governing body performing the functions of the county governing body in said county, shall appoint a county engineer, who shall be a thoroughly qualified and competent professional engineer, who is believed to be a land surveyor, but otherwise possessing all of the qualifications as specified by the county engineer under the general laws of the State of Alabama; and he shall devote his time and attention to the maintenance and construction of the Coffee County roads, bridges, ferries, and other county engineering projects and shall, during his employment, reside in Coffee County, Alabama. The said county engineer shall serve at the pleasure of the Coffee County Commission and shall be paid in lieu of all expenses, expense allowances, or other compensation heretofore provided for such officers.

Section 6. The Coffee County Commission shall establish road classifications which take into account the nature of work performed and number of years service and to give such positive titles to roads as the commission may determine.

The Coffee County Commission shall provide in writing to the probate judge, tax collector, tax collector and circuit clerk, and all county employees affected a copy of the above mentioned amendment and payroll scale.

Section 7. All county employees affected by this act amending and supplementing the proposed legislation hereinabove provided.

Section 8. The provisions of this act are severable. If any part of the act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration shall not affect the remainder of the act.

Section 9. This act shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Governor, or upon its otherwise becoming a law.

Section 10. It is the intent of the act that all employees provided for in this act shall be employees of the Coffee County Commission on a permanent basis. The two chief clerks of the office holders of the offices of probate judge, tax collector, tax collector and circuit clerk of said county. Provided, however, that the compensation of each employee shall be not less than the total compensation and allowances provided for like positions on December 31, 1974.

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Section 14. The salaries of employees who have over twelve months service shall be used in determining base salary for like positions. Employees with over twenty years service shall receive more than the total compensation an allowance provided for same position on December 31, 1974.

Section 15. Each of the clerks designated hereinabove shall not employ more persons than those were employed by them on December 31, 1974, to include two chief clerks, one

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The Family of Eddie Cooper

Deaths

CECIL GLENN PRESCOTT

Cecil Glenn Prescott, age 63, of Elba, died July 16, 1975. He is survived by his wife Adelieen Richburg Prescott, Elba, one son, Thomas G. Prescott, Greenville, S.C. two brothers, Joe Frank Prescott, Elba, and Don Fred Prescott, Elba.

Funeral services were held at Hayes Funeral Home Chapel on July 18 with Rev. Robert F. Hennemeyer officiating. Burial was at Evergreen Cemetery.

"Ethel" will be repaired at Twin City Speedway until Saturday night ready to run.

A pair of thunder storms marred the races arranged for last Saturday night at Twin City Speedway. The rain stopped about forty-five minutes because of the first rain of the evening. Paul Cole had the point position with Shorty Short on his right. As the race progressed, Paul Cole jumped to an early lead. After the track was dried and the time trials were run, Bob Bean and Nix Bruce squared off in a helmet-to-helmet battle. In the first turn, Laddo Smith, Bean's double, got together which pushed Shorty Short off the track.

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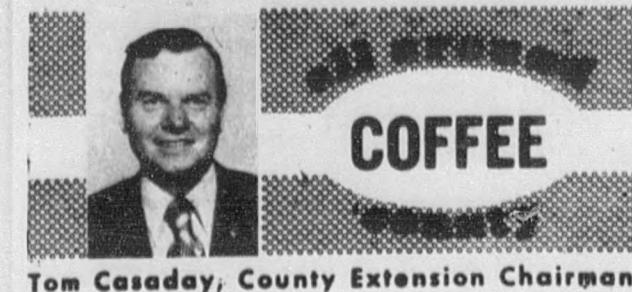
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Humans Not To Consume Dog Food



By Sara E. Hutchinson

COFFEE NEWS & CHAT

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Many people like to hold crops like soybeans and corn over to the next year to plant to do this, you certainly will need adequate storage facilities to store your crops until the next year.

Trucks and equipment dealers from throughout the tri-states will have all types of power and portable drying equipment on display. In addition to this, we will have a good review of wood products and their uses and applications. James Earl Mobley, President of the Alabama Peanut Growers Association, will discuss current peanut programs. Other speakers will include members of the delegation III peanut committee and how to save money in harvesting and drying.

This program is usually held during the first week in August. Our club members are invited to the meeting. This meeting is being planned specifically for peanut growers.

Make your plans now to attend.

This fall may be a good opportunity for beef cattle producers to hold to some of their lighter weight calves. Calves weighing less than 400 pounds are depressed on cattle of this type. Many Coffee County farmers have planted winter wheat in September/Oct. and carry these calves on to heavier weights. Some may have to change their grain feeding to get heavier weights and better prices.

A few of our marketing specialists at Auburn have indicated that the outlook for heavier feeders is good. Weighing from 700-800 pounds, this may be very profitable next spring. This type operation will be good for the producers, but it could help some.

Allen Brown, Marketing Specialist at Auburn, set a record this week which surprised me that many Wiregrass farmers may not have enough soybeans to meet their soybean, grain sorghum and other grain crops. I understand in the state that soybean acreage is up 10 percent and sorghum is up 20 percent.

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From the Health Department points out, the Food and Drug Administration under the law makes no distinction between the same items used for pets and pet foods except that both must be safe and properly prepared.

Pet food has certain animal tissues, such as fat, meat parts and muscle not normally used in human food. Animals that are produced to meet the rigid requirements deserve special care.

To keep the 4-DA animals from entering normal human food consumption channels, the meat is usually recognizable as pet food.

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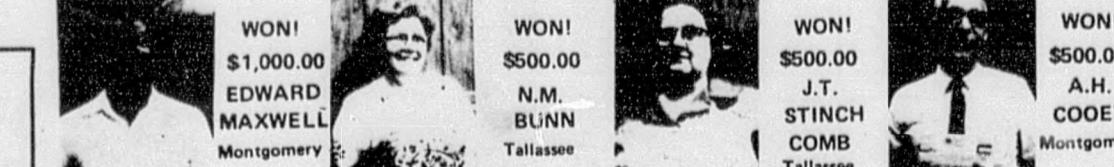
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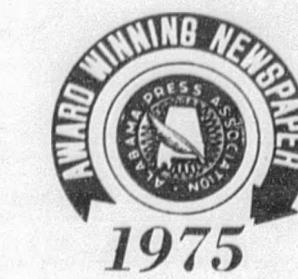
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Co-op Members To Hold Annual Meet

Final plans have been completed for the 17th annual members' meeting of Co-op. Co-operative, which will be held at the Andalusia Municipal Stadium on Thursday evening, August 7.

The meeting is expected to include transaction of several business items; free-enterprise activities; and viewing of a color television set, etc.

Entertainment will be provided by the Florida Boys Scout Troop #37 of Pensacola, Fla. This group, which has appeared in concerts throughout the United States and in several countries, has also been heard regularly over many television stations in its "Gospel Singing Show."

At the conclusion of the business session, more than 25 attendees prizes will be awarded. Included will be a 10" color television set, a 15" electric home freezer, and packages of clothing and other items of a Co-op member up to \$75.00.

In addition, each member attending will receive a light bulb free.

The Covington County Club will operate concession stands.

Covington Electric serves 13,500 consumers in Covington, Crossan, Gadsden, and Geneva counties.

Keith Hocutt, named Eagle Scout

of Elba, was honored

for his service to the community.

Mr. Harold Berry, Scout Master, began the program by introducing the special guests.

Mr. Jim Price, Scout Advancement Chairman of Enterprise and Eagle Scouts Randy Williford, George Armstrong, and Carl Rucker and David Crosley of Enterprise.

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